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The Church of God Evangel

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"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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Be Ye Also Ready

MRS. MARY L. TIDWELL

"Be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh," Matt. 24:44.

For some time I have been thinking, studying, and praying about this great thought. There are many wonderful and timely subjects in the Word of God but I know of no other subject that is more important at this time than the coming of our Lord. May God help us to watch and pray, and hold ourselves in readiness for this great event because, friends, if we miss the rapture, we will have missed the most glorious thing God has for His children at this time. Jesus promised, "If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you unto myself," John 14:3. Oh, the joy on that glorious morning when Christ Himself "shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first." What a glorious time that will be when mortal puts on immortality and we awake in His likeness. Glory to God for this wonderful thought that brings happiness and real contentment to every true child of God.

When our Savior ascended into heaven, the disciples gazed after Him. The angels appeared and said, "Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner," Acts 1:11. There is no question but that He is coming. It is God's eternal word. It is referred to more than three hundred times in the New Testament alone. We can't come to Him on that day and say, "Lord, I never knew anything about your coming." He has given us ample warning and He has also told us of the conditions that should attend His coming. It would be good for us to review some of them at this time.

We will first notice the 24th chapter of Matthew. Here Jesus gives us the parable of the ten virgins to impress upon us the necessity of preparing for His coming and keeping prepared. It may be that the last call is going forth now. Lord, help us to realize that in that hour there will be no time to make right the wrongs we have intended to fix up but kept putting off; no time to make preparations then. Oh, dear souls, let's make the most of these golden moments while the Bridegroom tarries, and see that our lamps are trimmed and burning, and our vessels filled with oil. Lord, help us to work and pray for we are surely living in the time of the end, when the forces of the enemy are turned loose on God's people. But listen, friends, even though we are having a battle, there is no excuse for us letting down and taking up the things of the world. God warns us of this very time and He said His grace was sufficient.

Dear souls, let's firmly and strongly stand for that that is right, and pray as never before. If there ever was a time in the history of the Church that prayer was needed, it is now when so many are losing sight of God and yielding to the powers of the enemy. I tell you, friends, this is no time to compromise. Let us take our burdens to the Lord; He is still on the throne, and He understands every crushed heart and every hard trial. He is able to bring everything out right, but we must pray and obey. His mercy is great and is still extended, but when man deliberately hardens his heart with sin so he no longer has the slightest response to the call of God and to His chastening hand of love, then it is that God's wrath descends upon him and his evil works. God never punishes just for the sake of revenge. His judgments are in love and mercy to bring souls to repentance, and to warn others of the fate that is sure to be theirs if they continue in their way of sin and unbelief. Only the longsuffering and patience of God has so long stayed His hand from meting out the punishment that a defiant and ungodly world has brought upon itself.

Through floods, droughts, famines, and many other ways God has warned the world that His day of mercy is near the close and terrible judgments are soon to follow, and right now it seems that we are surely living in dark days

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NOTICES

"To stir you up by putting you in remembrance," 2 Peter 1:13.

We are planning to have a home coming at the Church of God at Booneville, Miss. church the fourth Sunday in July. We invite everyone to come and all preachers who can get there. We will have all-day preaching and singing with dinner, so come and bring a well-filled basket. We want to have a good time in the Lord.—R. L. Cameron, Booneville, Miss.

We are in a meeting which started Sunday, June 19. Please pray for us, we are in need of someone to help in the meeting. Anyone who has a burden for souls and is a member of the Church of God, living a sanctified life, who feels led of the Lord, please write me. We need a musician who can be here regular. If you preach as well as play some, that will be better still. Pray that a Church of God may be built up here. —H. R. Law, Rt. 2, LaPlata, Mo.

To whom it may concern: This is to notify the Church everywhere that H. M. Bates of Farriston, Ky. is no longer a minister in the Church of God.—T. M. McClendon, state overseer of Kentucky, 137 Cotter Ave., Somerset, Ky.

We thank all who prayed for our little boy. Praise the Lord he is healed. The fever has left him and he is doing fine. We are planning on having a revival here with Brother Bozeman doing the preaching. Pray that it will be a success.—M. D. McGee, Rt. 1, Star, Miss.

To the Y. P. E's and Sunday Schools of Mississippi: Owing to the fact that Brother Doyle Blackwood gave up the work a few months ago, I was appointed at the state convention to take the work over for the remainder of the year. Come on, Y. P. E's and Sunday Schools, with your reports so we can get to work. Come on, young people; come on, Sunday Schools!—Roy Douglas, state superintendent of Y. P. E. and Sunday School, Moorhead, Miss.

The Church of God at Marvel, Ala. will have its home coming, July 10. We are expecting several visiting ministers to be with us and some good quartets. Come and bring a well-filled basket.—Ozero S. Yeager, clerk, Marvel, Ala.

We are in the midst of a revival conducted by Brother H. T. Durden, our good pastor. One feature of these services is music furnished by the LeFevre Vocal Trio. Saints, please pray for this revival that many souls will be born again. Also pray that I may be able to go to the Assembly.—A. F. Wilson, 54 Spofford, Wilmington, N. C.

TEXAS CONVENTION AND CAMP MEETING JULY 28-AUG. 4

This is to remind everyone that the Texas convention and camp meeting will convene at Weatherford, Texas. July 28-Aug. 4. The convention begins July 28 and ends July 31. Camp meeting continues until Aug. 4, with Brother H. L. Whittington doing the preaching the entire time in the night services. Brother Whittington is a great preacher and a blessing to all who hear him. Don't miss any of his good messages. Brother R. P. Johnson, Assistant General Overseer, will be with us in the convention. The Texas folks love Brother Johnson and his good preaching, which is always a blessing, so don't fail to be there for the full time. Pastors, have your reports ready, and we are expecting each church to be one hundred per cent on missions, aged ministers, and all requirements. And say, don't forget your special mission offering to bring to the convention. Some are going to get the prizes, so please do your best in this worthy cause. We are depending on you. Surely you will not disappoint us. —Your coworker in the Lord, H. N. Scoggins, overseer of North Texas.

Special Notice

To Ministers and Clerks concerning your Annual Report

Please give special attention to the filling out of the Annual Church Reports carefully and correctly, and mail to your respective State Overseer not later than August 10 so that he may forward same to the General Secretary for our Annual Minute Records.

The name and address of the clerk signing the annual report will be the same as given in the next year's Minutes. If it is desired to change clerks, please do this before sending out the Annual Report, so that the clerk's name and address will be correctly given in the new Minutes.

Remember, your total membership includes all whose names appear on the books, both those who are active and those whose addresses are unknown, as all are still members until they are officially excluded from the church. These reports are to be filled out in conference.

Every pastor should assist the local clerk in giving the correct information for our Minutes.—J. H. Walker, General Overseer.

The Atlanta district Sunday School and Y. P. E. convention will convene in Atlanta on July the tenth. There will be morning and afternoon sessions. Each Y. P. E. and Sunday School on the district will be expected to be represented.—D. L. Lemons.

To whom it may concern: I take this method to let you know that Irving N. Knox is no longer a minister or member of the Church of God.—M. J. Headley, state overseer of Maine, Appleton, Me.

To the Sunday Schools of Kentucky: For the month of May the Hazard Sunday School won the state banner on a 154% increase. Saul came second with a 50% increase. Crescent Springs won the Y. P. E. banner. — L. S. Cooper, state Y. P. E. and Sunday School superintendent.

The camp meeting at Washington, N. C. will convene August 4-14. There will be a number of preachers to assist in the preaching. Brother E. E. Winters will do the major part of the preaching at the night services. The meeting will be featured with special singing by quartets, trios, etc. Everybody begin praying now for a mighty outpouring of the Holy Ghost.

For further information you may write Brother F. D. Hardee, Rt. 3, Box 21, Washington, N. C. or Brother R. H. Walker, Rt. 3, Box 249, Washington, N. C. You are welcome to come take a part in this great feast.—E. W. Williams, state overseer of North Carolina, 1917 Pegram St., Charlotte, N. C.

The Kansas state camp meeting will convene at Coffeyville, Kans., July 16-24. We are expecting a great time in the Lord. We will have Brother L. W. Sisk of North Dakota for the evangelistic services each evening. Also Brother Sisk will teach a Bible Class each morning from 9:00-11:00 a. m. The last three days of the meeting will be the state convention. We will have Brother R. P. Johnson, Assistant General Overseer, with us and I know we will enjoy his good messages. We are also expecting a number of visiting ministers—Brother Bloomingdale, overseer of Oklahoma; Brother Marcum, overseer of Missouri; Brother J. B. Baney, former overseer of Kansas, and others. Come enjoy this annual feast with us.—J. T. Campbell, overseer of Kansas, 1406 Elm St., Coffeyville, Kans.

I will begin a revival in the Cherry Tree schoolhouse July 10. This place is near Logan, W. Va. There have been several revivals conducted there but with no success. Ask God to grant a Holy Ghost meeting there and to lead in every service.—Evangelist W. Haskell Compton, Mt. Gay, W. Va.

Neglected Children

U. L. Hudlow, Sr.

Eph. 6:4, *"And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord."*

Man and woman, what are you doing for your children? Are you bringing them up in Sunday School and church? Or are you running to and fro, here and there, and failing to provide your offspring with the teaching of God's Word? You may say, "They will go when they get older." Nine chances out of ten, if you fail to give them "Thus saith the Lord" they will never get it.

You mothers know where the morning glories peep through Mother Earth you tie cords for them to climb. You know their tendency to fasten their little tendrils about something and, if we do not help them up, they find sticks and bits of grass to which they will attach themselves and never climb any higher. For their best development and highest beauty we help them up. If they fail to stay put we tie them up again until they stay there where they will reach out their little tendrils and go yet higher. We know if we bruise them they will wilt. We must be very gentle with them. We call this training the vines. Thus it is with children. They are to be trained, not left to grow like weeds. They have a spirit that will expand and reach out and their hearts and minds will take hold of the objects that come in their way, hence how careful we should be as parents to see to it that they are brought in contact with everything that is good, the teaching of God's Word. Get it stamped into their little hearts so they can stand—have something to stand against.

Many children come into this world with a load of evil influences within and without and their start in life is handicapped. Man, what are you doing to get the Word of God planted within the little tender hearts? You have to give an account before God for the way you bring up your boy or girl. No father wants his children to stray. If you do not, get saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and fire. Start taking your children to Sunday School and church. You may say, "It is too far away from church." Start a neighborhood Sunday School. The Lord said, "Where two or three are gathered together in my name, I will be in the midst of them to own and bless." No excuse for you. Woe be unto you if you fail to get the Word of God planted in the hearts of your offspring. Brother, did you know that eighty-five per cent of the Christian people come through the Sunday School? Out of four thousand criminals before one judge, less than ten per cent attended Sunday School. Where the Word of God is taught we are brought to conviction, to repentance, to the blood and the new birth, and by it comes faith even the Spirit. We owe it to our children to teach them the Word of God. Eli's sons did wickedly and he restrained them not. Oh, there will be thousands, yea millions, whose curse will be worse through eternity because their children "did evil and they restrained them not."

Within these children are forces that will rapidly propel downward unless restrained and this work must be done by the parent. If we fail to do this important work, committed to us by God, they will follow their own inclinations, do as they please and we shall reap the reward of our own neglect. When they are self-willed it is tiresome work and that is why so many neglect it. It tries our spirit, but there is nothing to do but hold the reins and if we fail to do our duty something will happen. We will reap something we failed to stop. In after life, one may have friends, fond, dear, kind friends, but never will he have the inexpressible love and gentleness lavished upon him which none but a mother bestows. Often do I sigh in my struggles with the hard, unfriendly world for the deep, sweet security I felt when in the evening I rested on her bosom, listening to some quiet story suitable to my age, read in her tender, untiring voice. Never can I forget her sweet glances cast upon me when I appeared asleep; her kiss of peace at night. Years have passed since we laid her beside my father in the cold churchyard, yet her voice still whispers from the grave and her eyes watch over me as I visit spots long since hallowed by her memory.

While penning these lines, memory is busy running back and bringing up scene after scene in my early life. Father and Mother are the center in each picture. It seems to me my mother never slept. She was always up in the morning before me and my last recollections of her at nights was her tucking me in the little trundle bed. As I look back over the years, I am so glad that I never consciously gave either father or mother any sorrow or anxiety and while I am sure I was much to their joy, I am also quite sure had I better understood their infirmities of age I could have added much more real pleasure.

You have only mother, my boy,
Whose heart you can gladden with joy,
Or cause it to ache, 'til ready to break;
So cherish that mother, my boy.

You have only one mother who will
Stand by you through good and ill,
And love you although the world is your foe;
So care for that love ever still.

You have only one mother to pray
That in the good path you may stay,
Who for you won't spare self-sacrifice rare;
So honor that mother always.

You have only one mother, just one,
Remember that always, my son;
None can or will do what she has done for you.
What have you for her ever done?

Make much of it while you have that most precious of all gifts in this life—a loving mother.

REVIVALS

MYERSDALE, Pa.—There has been a very successful revival which just closed with Sister Flora Miles of Saxton, Pa. doing the preaching. There were nine saved, four sanctified and two filled with the Holy Ghost. The house was crowded to capacity and everyone enjoyed her ministry. Sister Miles is very good in the home as well as in the pulpit. She plays the piano and trombone.—R. E. Nuzum.

W. NASHVILLE, Tenn.—The revival at the Church of God in West Nashville closed June 18 with the altar full. Nine were saved, several sanctified, six baptized in water and three added to the church.

The efforts of Brother B. D. Smith of Fyffe, Ala., who was in charge, were greatly appreciated. Brother John Wilson of East Nashville was in charge of the music.

We feel that much good was accomplished in this revival and we hope to have another beginning in July. Please pray for us as this is a new church which was organized last November.—Your brother in Christ, H. E. Dillinger, pastor.

COALMONT, Ind.—A two weeks' meeting was held at this church at Coalmont, Ind., April 25-May 8, with Sister Standifer, wife of our state overseer, in charge of the preaching. Sister Standifer has not been evangelizing very long but brought the message each night with power under the anointing of the Holy Ghost. She holds to her text during the entire sermon, and we feel God has a definite place for her in His ministry.—Mrs. Katherine Payton, clerk.

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This paper reserves the right to condense reports, testimonies, etc., to a conformity of a proper allowance of space.

EDITORIALS

Sanctification

So many have inquired about the doctrine of sanctification. This has been taught and put in tract form until it seems that everybody should understand it, but it is a subject that should never grow old. We should never get tired of preaching this wonderful truth.

"For the bodies of those beasts, whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are burned without the camp. Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate. Let us go forth therefore unto him without the camp, bearing his reproach," Heb. 13:11-13.

To sanctify means to separate or appoint anything to a holy and righteous use. It also means to cleanse a sinner from pollution and filth of sin.

If there were no other scripture than Heb. 13:12, this would be enough to prove that Jesus' blood can cleanse us from that sin principle that came through the transgression of our forefathers.

In the Editorials last week I made it plain how we were born again and our transgressions forgiven; now we hope to help you on the doctrine of sanctification.

Under the Levitical priesthood God gave Moses the order of sacrifice. The burnt offerings typified Christ offering Himself without spot unto God. The bullock or ox typified Christ as the patient and enduring servant. A sheep or Lamb typified Christ in unresenting self-surrender to the death of the cross. The goat typified the sinner, and when used sacrificially, Christ, as numbered with the transgressors. The turtle dove or pigeon was naturally a symbol of moaning, innocence, and is associated with poverty.

In Lev. 4:1-9 we have the order of sacrifice for sin. There was always a sacrifice made for transgressions or the sins committed by the people, also an offering for sin, and this is the thought we wish to dwell on—Christ our sacrifice for sin.

That the people in the early Church were sanctified is proven by the following scriptures:

"Unto the church of God which is at Corinth, to them that are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, with all that in every place call upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both theirs and ours," 1 Cor. 1:2.

"For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication: that every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour," 1 Thess. 4:3, 4.

"And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God," 1 Cor. 6:11.

There are many scriptures on sanctification that prove positively that we are definitely sanctified. This experience comes after we are born again or our sins have been forgiven and our transgressions blotted out. So many holiness people today are claiming that you are born again and sanctified at the same time. It may be true that one would receive these blessings in the same altar service but the Bible certainly teaches that they are separate experiences. While Jesus shed His blood to save us, His blood was also shed to sanctify.

"Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. For he that is dead is freed from sin. Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him: Knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him. For in that he died, he died unto sin once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God. Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord. Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof. Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God. Rom. 6:6-12.

"That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts," Eph. 4:22.

"Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds; and have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him," Col. 3:9, 10.

So many people think that sanctification so radically changes a person that he is not natural any more. We feel that this is a great mistake. Sanctification destroys the sin principle, the inbred sin. The term "inbred" is an abbreviation of "inbreed or inborn," so that the term "inbred sin" has for centuries been used as denoting that amount and equality of moral corruption which has come down from Adam and Eve into the souls of all their posterity. This term "inbred sin" is used to distinguish the form and quantity of hereditary evil, from the form and degree of actual sins. The Bible defines actual sin thus, Any transgression of the law of God is sin. 1 John 3:4. But the same inspired penman goes behind the action, and defines inbred sin thus, "All unrighteousness is sin." 1 John 5:17. Let us look at the scriptural characteristics of inbred sin.

1. *As to its age.* It is that corruption of human nature which is as old as mankind. Actual sin can only be as old as the individual committing it, but inbred sin, so far as the moral virus is concerned, is as old as Adam. Hence it is emphatically termed by the Holy Ghost, the "old man." But the Spirit designates it as "our old man," Rom. 6:6. That is, it is that portion of the impure nature of Adam which is transmissible, and which resides naturally in every individual heart, till extirpated by entire sanctification. David speaks of this "inbred sin"—"Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me," Psa. 51:5. And he clearly discriminates between this "inborn" evil and his own personal committed sins. With reference to his own personal sins, he prays, "Blot out my transgressions;" but with reference to this inborn evil which had come down the ages, he says, that when it is removed he will have "*hidden* purity and be whiter than snow."

It is again denominated the "old

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NOTES OF PRAISE

"For praise is comely for the upright." Psa. 33:1.

Healed by the Hand of God

CHOPTANK, Md. — I praise the Lord for the great healing He wrought in my life. About six weeks ago God so wonderfully healed my body for which I give Him all the glory. I feel so unworthy to Him, I'll never be able to praise Him enough for what He has done for me.

When I was a small child I was hurt on the head and about six or eight years later I began having some kind of spells. I went to two or three doctors but didn't seem to get any better, only when I was taking the medicine I would feel better. I went on like that for five or six years. Finally I decided to go to the hospital in Baltimore, Md., to one of the brain specialists. They worked on me but I became worse instead of better. I knew God could heal but just couldn't grasp the faith to be healed. The devil doesn't want me to write this, but, praise God, I'm not serving the devil any more, I'm serving God. Bless His name!

We got word that Brother Rouse was coming to the state and I decided I was going to be prayed for by him. He came to the Church of God at Easton. He was there two nights and I went both nights, gave up all medicine and got him to pray for me, but seemingly I got worse. The devil would try me that much harder and every time I got sick almost all I could think of was the medicine. The enemy would say, "You had better take some of those nerve pills." Two or three times I said, "I can't stand this, I've got to take the medicine," but God said He wouldn't put anything on us but what we could bear. I'm praising Him tonight for that promise.

About a week or two later Brother Rouse was at another place and I went there and had him pray for me. When I went home I was sick that night again. I just got so sick I wanted to leave this world. I prayed for God to take me home, but bless His name, He came on the scene and healed me. I belong to the dear old Church of God at Easton and the dear people there prayed until their prayers were answered.

One Sunday morning I wasn't able to be there. This whole church went in prayer for me and God came on the scene and touched my body. I thank God for each prayer that went up for me and I thank each one who prayed for me. That night I went to church and from then on I've been feeling better. I feel so different now and I've gained weight.

I'm praising God for His great love toward His children if they will only trust Him. I haven't taken a drop of medicine since I gave it up and I feel so much better. I am completely healed tonight and am more determined than ever before to go all the way with Him and trust Him. I guess I must have been looking to Brother Rouse to heal me, I don't know, but we can't look to man, we must look to God from which cometh our strength.

Saints everywhere, please pray that I will not doubt God at any time and that I'll live a true life for Him until He comes or calls.—Cora Deneau.

PELL CITY, Ala.—I just praise God for so many blessings and such wonderful things He has done for me this past year. One year ago this month I was saved and sanctified. Only a few weeks later I received the Holy Ghost. When the Lord saved me I was in a very bad condition. I could hardly walk. I would fall when I tried to. I began to trust God for my healing and now I praise His wonderful name for His healing power. I can go anywhere and do all my work. It's wonderful what God will do for anybody if they will only let Him. By God's help and grace I mean to go all the way and work for Him. Pray for my husband that he will be saved before it is too late.—Eva Peoples, Rt. 1, Pell City, Ala.

Healed of T. B.

I cannot express in words how good and merciful the Lord has been to me. Two months ago our pastor, Brother W. D. Childers, held a revival and I was saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and added to the Church of God. I was in poor health and just went on down until the 21st of April I took my bed. My body just seemed to go to sleep and I could hardly breathe, my chest pained so badly. I thought my time had come to an end on this earth. My husband asked me if I wanted a doctor. I told him yes. The doctor came and examined me and said I had worked too long and was not normal and he told my husband to take me to Greenville, S. C., to have my chest X-rayed. I told my husband the next day that I was not any better and asked him to send for some of the saints of God to pray for me. Brother and Sister Childers and some more of the saints came. I knew the Lord could heal me. This was on Friday night. On Saturday Brothers Joab and Clarence Nickles and J. C. Howard, with a number of others, came and anointed me and prayed until we got the victory. The room was full of the presence of the Lord and His power pulled me up. I felt His healing virtue touch my head and run slowly down my body and limbs. Praise His name, I feel His presence now. All my pain left me. I know the Lord healed me. I never had another pain in my chest and everyone in my room looked different. I was baptized the first day of May. Praise the Lord, the next day I went to the Hopwell T. B. hospital. The nurse asked me if I hurt in my chest and I told her I did until a week ago. Then she wanted to know what church I belonged to. I told her the Church of God. They took an X-ray of my chest. The next Friday my husband went back for the report. It read I had had T. B. but it had healed over. People don't understand, my lungs healing over without treatment, but thank the Lord, I am gaining in strength and weight. Pray for me that I may ever hold on to God's unchanging hand.—Mrs. W. C. Brown, 1 Mason St., Greer, S. C.

LAVONIA, Ga.—Dear saints, I am a lover of the Church of God Evangel. I get much soul food from it. I don't see why every member doesn't try to make the sacrifice to welcome this paper into his home once a week. Many times I have been discouraged and when the paper came it seemed there would be a message right out of heaven to me. I have sent several requests to the paper and after the Evangel family would pray my request would be granted. We have many times laid the paper down and asked God's blessings on the requests. I have laid the paper on my body and on my children, and prayed, and the Lord always healed.

Please pray for God to give me more faith, love and power. I want to be a greater blessing than I have ever been; I want to keep the fire burning brightly in my soul.

A number of us Church of God sisters have tried to give the nine o'clock hour in the morning to prayer. God has wonderfully blessed many times, many requests have been granted and many saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. I don't know how many years we have practiced this but it is still going and God is still blessing. I want every sister that will join us in this hour to write me. We pray here in my home. Please join us in prayer at nine o'clock. We will try to send requests to you who will pray. Let's join in a chain of prayer service for a world-wide revival for the Church of God, that people will be brought out of their deceptiveness. I have an unspoken request. Please pray until victory comes. I know the Church of God is the Bible Church. There are so many who don't understand. Pray for me to be so filled with God's love and power that I will be a soul winner for Jesus. —Mrs. L. A. Chitwood.

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News From the Mission Field

"Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature," Mark 16:15.

ZENO C. THARP, Secretary, Mission Board

THE BERMUDA MISSION

BY J. H. INGRAM

Seventeen years ago when the Lord called us to Bermuda for the purpose of introducing this latter-day, full-gospel message, we were critcized by some who said we were foolish for leaving a good position to go out like that with no promise of anything but persecutions and financial reverses. I took my family on the first trip in 1921-22 and then I came back alone for a brief stay in 1925-26, being forced to retire each time for lack of finances. The Lord was very gracious to us, pouring out the Spirit, and though we were unable to stay and establish a work under the Church of God, the Lord raised up such men as Brother C. H. Caisey, Brother Thos. Trott, Brother David Brown, Brother Absalom Bean and others, who continued to carry on.

We rented a little hall formerly under the Church of England and they are still in it after seventeen years. They heard I was coming back and took a lease on the place for five years with an option to buy, and built twenty feet more onto the church at a cost of about $500.00, in order to have room to seat the people, and yet it is too small. They have a membership of around seventy who are great missionary workers. They have sent several large boxes of clothing and shoes to help Brother Rigsby in the Church of God work in Turks Island, B. W. I. On one occasion a local firm here gave them over one hundred pairs of new shoes, about ninety pairs going to Brother Rigsby. Then one brother here who was a sailor went with a ship to Turks Island to bring back a load of salt, and seeing the need an appeal was made and soon enough relief supplies were solicited to fill a large sailing ship, and the sailors transported them free of charge.

During this time two churches have been built by the Pentecostal folks and another church was bought and remodelled. I have just checked up on some of their missionary work for a year, and am giving you some figures affecting the smallest and the largest. Flatts church, for example, gave $1,121.43 to foreign missions. This is the largest church, having 121 members. Somerset, with a membership of 35 gave $380.25 during the same period. This went to the work in China, Africa, Korea and Russia. You will notice that they gave approximately $10.00 a member during the year. If all of our 63,000 members (last registration) should give an equal amount it would net us more than a half million for missions, to be exact $630,000.00—a good example is it not? Flatts church has just finished a new stone building, the latest word in modern church construction. It should be worth twice as much, but they built it for around $7,000.00, using native help.

Bermuda, an English island, lies in the north Atlantic about 700 miles southeast of New York and is just a dot on the map, so to speak. It has a land area of twenty square miles and a population of 27,789 (1933 Census Report). This work is confined to the native colored people almost without exception, and they receive only about half as much for their work as laborers, and mechanics likewise, receive in the United States. Yet they never ask for a dollar from America, where they have connected themselves with another body—after we failed. When their General Overseer comes down here he travels first-class and the folks in Bermuda pay his fare. Many who opposed us when we came here are rejoicing in the fullness of the Spirit. I have in mind now ministers of two churches who received the Holy Ghost and died in the faith. The Spirit has been poured out in the Wesleyan Methodist, A. M. E., Baptist and the Salvation Army. Tarrying meetings are the order of the day now in some of the other churches.

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God's Presence Was With Us When New Church Was Set in Order

We are thankful to God that that we had long looked forward to came to pass when our church was set in order by the overseer, H. A. Hudson, and pastor, W. A. Shaw. We had a large gathering that night. We could feel the presence of God. Seven were transferred from Sandy Gully church and five from Kingston Newton church and ten were added to the church. We ask you dear people of God to pray for us here because by the grace of God we mean to go through. On the 15th a sister was baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire. Others were sanctified. Many are looking forward to being added to this blessed church. Pray for us for we mean business by the grace of God.—Amy Reid, clerk, Cliffton Constant Spring, Jam., B. W. I.

Notice

Brother and Sister Edmond E. Stark have arrived in Lobito, Angola, Portuguese West Africa.

They wish to express their thanks and appreciation to you for your prayers which the Lord has so wonderfully answered. They can see the hand of the Lord upon their going from the beginning until the present time.

They would appreciate a letter from you. You can address them as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. Edmond E. Stark
C. P. 109
Lobito, Angola
Portuguese West Africa.

Remember to inquire at your post office in regard to the amount of postage it requires to send a letter there. In writing missionaries, always use lightweight stationery and if you have a half page do not send a full page.—Zeno C. Tharp, secretary, Mission Board.

What the Evangel Means to Me

MOBEETIE, Tex.—I thank the Lord for the Evangel and what it has meant to me; I haven't had the grand opportunity of being in the services. The Evangel has meant so much to me, it stirs up my pure mind as I read the good messages. I read it aloud to my four small children. It teaches them to pray for the sick. I lay it on them when they are sick and they have always been healed. One of my little girls became very ill all at once with a swelling in her leg. She screamed and couldn't bear for us to touch her leg. I laid the Evangel on her leg and prayed. She went to sleep and the next morning she was well. Thank God for His goodness, for His sweet healing power. My children honor the Evangel as they would the Bible. Thank God, He is doing a great work through the paper.

I thank God for victory over sin and the devil. I thank God for His great Holy Ghost that is abiding in my soul. As I read of the calls for help, my soul is made to move with great compassion and love for the needy and dying souls and made to feel the mission spirit.

I request prayer for our home, pray that we may have a way to go to services and get our children in Sunday School.—Virginia Kuykendall, Rt. A, Box 48.

REVIVAL

BOYNTON, Pa.—Brother Sam C. Perry of Florida has just closed a good revival at Boynton. Everyone enjoyed his ministry. He certainly is an able minister and holds the attention of his audience. Brother Perry is in Baltimore, Md. conducting a revival.—R. E. Nuzum.

Another New Church in Mississippi

I was called to the north end of Rock Hill, Miss. district a few days ago, by Brother G. N. May, to organize a new church for him. He started in a new field and God began to bless. Up to date eighteen have received the Holy Ghost, about thirty saved and the end is not yet. I set a new church in order with twenty-two members, the youngest being seventeen years old. I baptized twenty in water. Surely God is blessing those people and they love and appreciate Brother May and asked that he pastor for them until the Assembly. The meeting has been going four weeks with near twenty in the altar every night. This church is about eight miles west of Union, Miss. Surely the harvest is ripe and the laborers few in Mississippi, so pray for us.—Wilson L. Sharp, district pastor.

S. S. Attendance Improved

RIVER ROAD, ST. MICHAEL, Barbados, B. W. I.—During the month of April the various activities of the church in the several departments have been going on. The Sunday morning attendance considerably improved over the previous month. There have been two seekers at our evangelistic services, one of whom shows signs of going on with the Lord.

The Senior and Junior missionary bands conform their activities to cottage meetings, visiting the sick, distribution of tracts. About three sick persons, who had been brought to Jesus through the activities of the bands, died recently, and thus have passed to the beyond with the assurance of seeing Jesus.

The spiritual character of our Sunday School is improving and very prayerful and earnest effort is being put forth to lead the children to definite acceptance of Jesus as Savior and Lord.

We are praying for a mighty revival in our midst, and earnestly desire the co-operative prayers of all the brethren to this end.—A. V. Howells Qock, sec. and clerk; Christopher N. Ford, pastor; J. H. Marshall, bishop.

Two Successful Revivals Held

We praise God for what He is doing on the Brownfield district this year, for the good revivals and fellowship meetings, also the new churches. We have had two successful revivals here. In the first one around twenty were saved and sixteen sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Brother Homer Smith of Louisiana conducted this revival for one week, then Sister Briggs of Big Spring, Tex. carried it on for two weeks. The second revival was conducted by Brother C. G. Crutcher of New Moore. Brother Crutcher conducted this revival four weeks beginning May 15 and continuing until June 12, in which thirty confessed to being saved, nineteen sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and eight added to the church. A number of these who received the Holy Ghost were backsliders. We had baptizing at Goose Lake near New Moore and twenty-three were baptized, nine of them were from Brownfield, fourteen from New Moore.

The church is on fire for God and everyone seems to be filled with greater zeal than ever in the face of this drouth with the sand blowing every day and not anything planted. We can have the victory over it all, but best of all we may get to see Jesus soon. We want all of our friends to pray for us that we will stay where God can use us in His service.

We say again that we appreciate Brother Crutcher and his labor with us. Brother Crutcher is a young preacher but preaches without fear of the enemy. We appreciate a man like him in the church.—O Gregory, pastor, Rt. 3, Brownfield, Tex.

Wonderful Work Rendered

I thank and praise God this evening for what He has done for our community. We had long been without a pastor here at Tellico Plains. About the 8th of April Sister Florida Brown and son, Joel, came up from Cleveland, Tenn. where Brother Joel had been attending Bible School, and held a three weeks' revival here at Pleasant Valley. The Lord greatly blessed, numbers were saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. At the close of the revival they moved to Tellico Plains and held a four weeks' revival. Several were saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, five baptized in water and nine added to the Church of God, one of which was a Baptist minister. They certainly have done a wonderful work at this place. They are holding a revival now at Primitive Baptist church three miles above Tellico Plains, Rt. 3. Sister Watts of Cleveland, Tenn. is here helping in the revival. We thank the Lord for Sister Watts and we greatly appreciate our leader, Sister Trim. She is putting forth every effort to bring the church together. She certainly has been a blessing to us. We ask all the readers to pray much for Sister Brown and son, Joel, they are good evangelists. We thank the Lord for sending them to Tellico Plains. Sister Owenby of Cleveland, Tenn. has been with us in our services for a few weeks, she has also been a blessing in the work of the Lord and also to the Y. P. E.

I have been afflicted in body for some time; I have been greatly helped through the prayers of the saints but not completely healed, so please continue to pray for me.—Mrs. May Wakefield, Tellico Plains, Tenn.

Praise the Lord for Blessings

CHRISTIAN, W. Va.—I praise the Lord for the way He is blessing us here at Christian, W. Va. We have a wonderful Sunday School, also a good Y. P. E. Our young folks are interested in working for God. They put on a real good program in the Y. P. E. and Sunday School district convention and the Lord really blessed us, for which we give Him all the thanks and praise.

We had a three weeks' revival here in the month of May with Sister Flora Maye in charge. Twenty were saved, sixteen sanctified and ten filled with the Holy Ghost. Thank the Lord. Please pray that my husband will consider the value of his soul and come to God before it is too late. Remember me in your prayers.—Mrs. Elsie Lester.

Good Revival in Johnstown

JOHNSTOWN, Pa.—We are glad to report God is blessing in this flood-stricken city. Our Sunday School has doubled. We also have started a building fund, so ask an interest in the prayers of all the saints everywhere that God will enable us to get a building of our own.

We have just closed a four weeks' revival with Sister R. E. Kensley of Canton, Ohio in charge. We can truly say God blessed throughout the revival. Not only were the saints edified but about fifteen sinners professed salvation, about six or seven sanctified and five or six filled with the precious Holy Ghost. God surely anointed Sister Kensley from night to night as she brought forth the messages of truth. Twelve came into the church.

After our meeting she held a two weeks' meeting in Windber, about eight miles from here. Again God blessed her efforts with about twelve professing salvation, and four or five sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost.

She stayed in our home and we can truly say she was a real inspiration to us. We all give her a hearty welcome for a speedy return for another revival. Remember us in your prayers that God will ever use us for His glory.—Mrs. R. F. Koshewitz.

Request

Please pray for me that I might receive the Holy Ghost. I am fourteen years of age and if there are any young people my age who would care to write me I would be glad to hear from you.—Miss Margaret Blackwell, Hope Mills, N. C.

CONVENTIONS

"Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together," Heb. 10:25.

Shepherd's Fold, La. District Convention

The Shepherds Fold, La. district convention convened at Sharps Chapel church, May 20-22, inclusive, with Clyde C. Cox, state overseer, in charge. On the opening evening of the convention the welcome address was given by the writer and Sister Iredell Walker and Sister Ainsworth responded. The presence of the Lord was in our midst and we felt fine. Brother W. F. Ainsworth brought a fine message.

Saturday morning we had a Bible discussion with Brother Cox in charge. Everyone present seemed to enjoy this part of the service. In the evening service the presence of the Lord was in our midst. The singing seemed to draw us closer to heaven. Brother Cox delivered a timely message.

Sunday morning we could feel that good heavenly feeling as we gathered together. Brother Cox brought the message for the morning on missions. This was followed by a mission offering amounting to $35.00. We were then dismissed for lunch. At two o'clock we gathered again for the report of the churches. Nearly all the churches had good reports. Sister Iredell Walker, state Sunday School and Y. P. E. superintendent, made a splendid talk on Sunday School. We appreciated having Sister Walker with us throughout the convention and revival, to direct the singing. We also appreciated having all other singers too. Brother DeWitt Sharp boosted the state paper which is proving a blessing to the work in the state. This brought the convention to a close. Long live the days of the convention. —O. L. McManus, pastor.

Carlsbad, N. Mex. District Convention

The Carlsbad, N. Mex. district convention convened at the Church of God at Hobbs, N. Mex., June 3-5, with Brother S. J. Wood, state overseer, in charge. The Lord began blessing as the song service began and as Brother Otha Anderson, pastor of the Hobbs church, gave the welcome address most anyone could have given the response for we know the Lord was in our midst. Brother Pennington of Texas brought the evening message.

Saturday morning we met with the good spirit of God flooding our souls. The speakers of the convention were Brothers Ford, Anderson, Rains, Sister Largen. Brother George Lytle, state Sunday School superintendent, Sister Wood, Brother Wood, state overseer, Sister Mary Henson, state Y. P. E. superintendent.

A mission offering of $7.00 was taken. Saturday afternoon was given to the Bible students. There were seven ex-students present and a large number who expect to be students soon. We hope New Mexico will be well represented this coming year. Saturday evening Brother George Lytle, state Sunday School superintendent, was in charge. He is doing a splendid work and we feel our Sunday Schools are being made to grow through his efforts. The churches reported in this service.

On Sunday morning we met to find the good Spirit of God hovering near. There is never a service more sacred than on Sunday morning. After a sermon by Brother Wood the congregation assembled in front of the parsonage, which has just been finished, for dedication service. The Hobbs church has worked for this and the Lord richly blessed their efforts for which we are grateful. The closing service Sunday afternoon was given to the Y. P. E's of the district with Sister Mary Henson in charge. We are proud of our Y. P. E's in New Mexico and are glad to see them progressing for God. We also thank the Lord for our state Y. P. E. superintendent, Sister Henson. She puts her whole soul, body and strength into the work.

The churches of the district were well represented throughout the convention and we are glad to report that the Lord is blessing and the work is growing in New Mexico. We expect it to grow more in the future, for we know the Lord is on our side. We earnestly covet your prayers.—Mary Lou Pyeatt, Jal, N. Mex.

Report of Elkins and Bayard Districts Convention

The Elkins and Bayard, W. Va., districts convention was held at Bayard May 27-29. Each service of the convention opened with the regular devotional service and special music and singing and God wonderfully blessed. Every one felt welcome and large crowds were in attendance throughout the convention. The altar each time was filled with many seekers hungry for God.

Those rendering a part in the musical program during the convention were Brother R. L. Rexrode and his band, Brother J. D. Raynor, Brother Daniel Smith, Arveda Cassady, Fayette and Alta Hanline, and others.

The following persons brought the good messages during the convention: Brothers E. O. Sells, pastor of Bayard, Brother E. C. Clark, state overseer, Brother N. Jackson, pastor of St. George, Brother Hedrick of Whitmore, Brother Weese of Elkins, Brother John Kile of Petersburg, Brother Hanks, Brother Roy Rhodeheaver, Sister E. O. Sells, Brother Robinson of Petersburg, Brother Dean of Clarksburg, Brother Tom Helwick, and Brother Raynor, district pastor.

On Saturday morning we had a healing service and God blessed in a marvelous way. Saturday afternoon the Evangel was boosted and about fifteen subscriptions taken. A good testimony service was led Saturday night by Brother Dean. Sunday morning after the devotional service the Sunday School lesson was taught from the platform by Brother Cullars and enjoyed very much. After Brother Clark's message on "Giving to Missions" a mission offering was taken which amounted to $15.00. During the message one of our young ministers and his wife, Brother and Sister Hedrick, felt the call to be missionaries. This service was certainly good. In the afternoon the reports of the churches were given which were all fine. Sunday night testimony service was led by Brother Raynor. An announcement was made that the Y. P. E. convention would be held at Davis, July 31.

We are glad to say this was really the best convention we've ever been in. Every speaker was at his best and there was perfect unity and love. Oh, it seemed like we were all just one—no divisions or hindrances and God put His approval on everything that was done. Our state overseer made the remark that we had some of the best big little preachers he'd ever seen and our district pastor said the state convention would have to be excellent to beat this one—we know it can't be much better for ours was wonderful in every way. We are proud of our state overseer and district pastor. Brother Raynor is formerly from the state of Alabama but we trust and pray that God will keep him in West Virginia from now on and not ever let him leave our district, for we feel that Alabama's loss is West Virginia's gain. Praise God! Pray for us on the Elkins and Bayard districts.—Faithfully, Viola Cassady, clerk, Davis, W. Va.

Mississippi State Convention

The Mississippi state convention which convened at Hattiesburg, Miss., with state overseer, Brother T. W. Godwin, moderator, is now history. The Lord was with us from the beginning until the last prayer was prayed. We had a large crowd at each service. We also had several good sermons, which were enjoyed. Brother Godwin did some good preaching.

We also enjoyed having Brother R. P. Johnson, Assistant General Overseer, his wife and family with us. Brother Johnson did some of the best preaching I believe I have ever heard. God blessed us in a wonderful way in making it pos-

sible for a nice mission offering, which amounted to $275.35, for which we praise God. The offering for the orphans was $46.31, also one for our state overseer, $18.56. There was the camp meeting and convention expense of $33.80. The total offering during the convention amounted to $374.02.

The spirit of giving for the cause of the gospel is getting hold of our Mississippi people. We are looking forward to greater things for God and His Church. —Roy Douglas, pastor, Moorhead, Miss., and Horace Taylor, convention clerk, Morgantown, Miss.

Lawrenceville Dist. Conv'n.

We had our district convention at Chauncey, Ill. June 17-19. The Y. P. E. had a hour Saturday night. We had a fine program with four of the six churches taking part. We had a good time in the Lord. The Holy Ghost fell on the young people.

The following had a part on the program: Chauncey Y.P.E.—Bernice Stout, Wanda Stout, Parrott children, Sister Pansy Stout and daughter; Lawrenceville Y. P. E.—Sister Grace Carter and daughter, Sister Sarah Hankins; Robertson Y. P. E.—Sister Ruth Christy; Olney Y. P. E.—Sister Francis Phillips, Rolen Dunn, Marlyn Barche and Jeanene Baker, Sister Nadine Barche.

Y. P. E. instructions were given by district president, Brother Theo Miller. At the close of the program Brother Rolen Dunn of Eldorado, Ill. gave an interesting talk on Y. P. E. work and Bible Training School for both young and old people. Please pray for the Lawrenceville Y. P. E. district work.—Theo. Miller, Rt. 2, Claremont, Ill.

Arkansas State Convention

The Arkansas state convention convened at Burdette, Ark. God wonderfully blessed in this convention and it was the best of all that I've attended and I have been to some mighty good ones.

We were delighted to hear the good reports of the churches, most of the churches reported one hundred per cent on all lines. We are glad to say that the power of God had the right of way in the services and there were several who got saved and some received the Holy Ghost, praise the Lord! It seemed like the very heavens would swing low over the congregation and every speaker was at his best.

The speakers were Brother Odis Smith, our faithful and good overseer. How God has blessed him is wonderful. Brother R. P. Johnson, Assistant General Overseer. These speakers were wonderful. E. B. Moffitt, W. V. John, R. E. Shaw, W. C. Howard, M. N. McPherson, Jesse Danehower, W. A. Ledford, and on account of time and space we won't mention any more, but we say that they were all good.

A message on "Missions" was given and an offering was taken which amounted to $259.82. As those forceful words would leave the speaker's lips you would see streams of tears flow down the faces of the people.

The orphans were not forgotten but I don't have the account of the offering. God blessed and words cannot express all the good that was done in the convention. The Marked Tree W. W. Band gave Brother Smith a suit and the Y. P. E. gave him a brief case.

There were special songs, trios, duets, quartets and Brother A. J. Allen, state Y. P. E. president, had a fine band of young people who certainly could sing. Thank the Lord.

If we as coworkers with the Lord will stay hand in hand, we will take the country for God. Pray for this state's work.—Willard W. Gentry, 2nd St., Benton, Ark.

Cat Island District Conv'n.

The district convention of Cat Island convened at Smith Bay Cat Island, May 27-29, with our district overseer, Geo. H. Moss, presiding. We believed that he was at his best. Our introductory service on Thursday night was wonderful to begin with. On Friday morning the convention started with great joy, every minister seemed to be on his tiptoes for service. In the Saturday evening session our esteemed state overseer, Brother W. R. Frank, was privileged to walk right in the evening session just about time for the evening sermon. He had to back off the stand to allow the glad hearts of the saints to greet him and, oh, how his arrival did bring another zeal and rejoicing. Saturday night we had a most wonderful time in the Lord. Sunday morning we had a wonderful Sunday School, especially the light we got from the Sunday School lesson by our state overseer. Truly it was the very best Sunday School that I have enjoyed for a long time. Space will not permit me to tell of the many good sermons and teachings enjoyed from the various ministers and especially our state overseer, W. R. Frank. I believe that we who attended the convention were overpaid for the many miles we rode on horses and also walked. Some of us traveled twenty-three to thirty miles. Best of all souls got saved in the convention. The convention closed with seekers crying in the altar. All the dear saints of God pray for us that we all will be loyal and faithful to the dear old Church of God until Jesus comes.—Your brother in the Lord, Alex Burrows, clerk, Devils Point, Cat Island, Bahamas.

Jellico District Convention

We wish to praise our Savior who was so wonderfully present in our district meeting. We were indeed very sorry that Brother Cross could not be present, but we do feel we were highly honored by having our dear Brother R. P. Johnson with us throughout the entire convention. The church house was packed each evening as Brother Johnson preached, and the blessings were manifested in every service.

The services began on Friday night with some good soul-stirring songs by our local choir here in Jellico. Then when Brother W. D. Bryant gave the folks a chance to testify it seemed all were so anxious they could hardly wait for their time to tell the people what God had done for them. There was shouting and rejoicing as the service progressed. The pastor, Brother Chas. D. Foshee, gave the welcome address. The Cupp sisters sang a good special song which was enjoyed by all. Brother R. P. Johnson preached a soul-stirring message and at the close made an altar call. Several came for prayer.

Sunday morning we gathered at 9:30 and took up reporting of the Sunday Schools, after which Brother Robert Brown brought a good message. I am sure every one enjoyed it. After this we had a talk on "Missions" by the writer, and a lovely, touching missionary song was sung by May and Mildred Cupp. There were two poems rendered by two of our young people. After this Brother Johnson preached on "Missions" and an offering of $21.00 was taken for missions, and $19.00 pledged to be handed in by the state convention. A basket dinner was served at noon.

We came back in the afternoon and began another good service. Brother Myers from near Knoxville brought the evening message, after which Brother Johnson made the closing remarks. The convention came to a grand close with every heart filled to overflowing with the good things we had seen and heard. We feel that it was the best convention this district has ever enjoyed. The church feels built up in the Lord and feels more like pressing on till Jesus comes.—Mrs. Fannie Foshee, convention clerk, Jellico, Tenn.

Most Wonderful of All

The Desire district convention was held at the Bethel View church house, James, Clarendon, Jam., B. W. I., March 22-24, with H. A. Hudson, overseer, in charge and C. A. Morris as district pastor. We thank the dear Lord for the wonderful way in which He is blessing us in Jamaica.

Again we are truly grateful for our

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REVIVALS

"O Lord, revive thy work in the midst of the years." Hab. 3:2.

KELLYS FERRY, Tenn.—The Church of God at Kellys Ferry closed a two weeks' revival Sunday night, May 29. Brother Irwin, the former pastor, did the preaching. The Lord blessed from the beginning. Six were saved, two sanctified, two filled with the Holy Ghost and three added to the church. There were many in the altar seeking the Holy Ghost at the close of the meeting. The church was greatly encouraged. Some said it was the best revival in fifteen years. Pray for us here.—J. L. Byrd, pastor.

BAHAMA ISLANDS, B. W. I.—We are very glad to report that there is a revival of the work in this little corner of the world. Jesus is pouring out His Spirit upon all flesh. A very successful revival was held at Fowler Street church. Many souls came to the Lord. Fourteen came in the church at Fowler Street church, four came in at East Street church and three came in at Fox Hill church, for which we thank the Lord. Twenty-one followed the Lord in water baptism. People are hungry for this old-time blessing. Praise the Lord, many souls are looking this way. We pray that we will not preach ourselves but Christ Jesus the Lord, and souls will come into His kingdom. Brethren, pray for us.—Deacon Albert Ingraham, secretary of church at East Street, S.

MARFRANCE, W. Va.—We have just closed a three weeks' revival here conducted by Brother G. C. Smith. He surely preached the Bible. There was one saved and one filled with the Holy Ghost. Brother and Sister Smith surely labored faithfully and I praise the Lord for people like they are. Pray for me that God will make a way for me to get out in the field for Him.—Your brother in Christ, Oliver Stevens.

JACKSON, Ohio—We had a very good meeting five miles from Jackson, Ohio, for eighteen nights with twelve saved, seven sanctified, two filled with the Holy Ghost and seven baptized in water. A church was set in order with fourteen members—three men and eleven women and girls. We also got the church property—a nice building, well furnished, all paid for. We thank the Lord for all this. Please pray for us. The clerk's name is Ruth Chrisman.—H. L. Dillinger, Rt. 4.

After the close of our district convention on Sunday afternoon, May 22, we went to Shepherds Fold for the district revival. From the very first service God began to bless. Brother Cox was in charge of the services each night. He seemed to be at his best. The building was packed to capacity nearly every night. There were thirty saved, eighteen sanctified, nineteen baptized with the Holy Ghost, twenty-seven added to the church. When the altar service was given each night it seemed that nearly everyone in the house would get under conviction. The last night of the service there were between thirty and forty in the altar and one received the Holy Ghost. We appreciated the co-operation of the visiting ministers and others who came over and helped us out. The people of this part of the state certainly appreciate Brother Cox as overseer.—O. L. McManous, pastor, Lee Road, Covington, La.

LENOIR, N. C.—We have just closed a wonderful revival here. The services continued two weeks. Brother Paul Stallings did the preaching. The church was greatly blessed by this revival. Many spoke of this being the best revival they had attended for some time. Sixteen were saved, ten sanctified, three filled with the Holy Ghost. If you would like to engage this preacher for a revival before the Assembly, you may write him at Lenoir, N. C., Box 103.—H. D. Holsclaw, clerk.

BYINGTON, Tenn.—I am glad to report another great battle fought and won for our great King. Praise His name. A five weeks' revival has just closed at Providence with great success. Brother P. W. Myers was in charge of the services, assisted by our pastor, Brother Henderson. Sinners made their way to the altar and prayed and cried until God heard their prayers and blessed them. We are giving the results of the revival as near as we could keep them. Thirty-one were saved, two or more sanctified, twenty added to the church and seven baptized in water. The church is greatly edified and built up. The meeting was wonderful. We have a fine band of young people here now to work in our Y. P. E. and we are expecting, by the help of God, to make our Y. P. E. a success. The testimony of our new converts is for a closer walk with God. Pray for them that they will get sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. There are still other hungry souls here who are in need of God. Pray for them.

We thank God for Brothers Myers and Henderson and all the saints who were so faithful to work in the revival. Pray that God will continue to bless us and that we may be able to do more for Him in the future than we have in the past. May God bless all of you is my prayer.—Mrs. Chastaine Norman, clerk.

ALBEMARLE, N. C. — We truly thank God for the way He is blessing our church. Brother V. C. Ramey of Danbury, N. C. started a revival on June 5 and closed it June 19 with a number blessed during these two weeks. Brother Ramey held a special healing service and the Lord marvelously blessed in this service. One sister who had T. B. was anointed and prayed for and God wonderfully and completely healed her. The doctors had said she would not live six weeks, but thank God she is healed. Another sister was healed of cancer, also a young baby that three doctors had given up to die. Brother Ramey and our pastor prayed for it and in a few minutes it wanted to play. Thank God for Brother Ramey, he is a good man. We also appreciate our pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister J. L. Hathcock. Pray for us.—Titus Efird, clerk, 820 Lowder St.

ROANOKE RAPIDS, N. C. — I praise Jesus for His wonderful love and mercy to me. Sometime ago I sent in a request for the healing of my body of high blood pressure. Thank God, He healed me. Dear ones, keep praying for me to go on and do the Lord's will.

The Lord is blessing here. The sick are being healed and the church is shining. Praise the Lord. We had a good revival which ran three weeks, conducted by Brother E. B. Culpepper of Georgia. Many souls were blessed, the saints encouraged to press on. The last night of his stay here we had feet washing and communion service. I had never received such a mighty blessing before. Oh glory, it stayed with me a week. Eternity alone will tell the good that was done. Brother Culpepper won many friends and we hope he will come again soon. Please pray for an urgent request and for the Lord to bless by July the first. The Lord knows all about it. Pray for the church here and the Sunday School to increase.—Clara Hagewood, Box 264.

SWEETWATER, Tenn.—We truly praise the Lord for the revival just closed at Sweetwater. There were twenty-three saved, eleven sanctified, six filled with the Holy Ghost and seven added to the church. The pastor, Brother J. W. Maness, did the preaching. Brother Johnson and his wife of Soddy, Tenn. were over with us one night and some of the Lenoir City folks were with us one or two nights. The revival has been a great help to our Y. P. E. and Sunday School. We truly praise the Lord for the way He has blessed us.

Please pray that if it be the Lord's will that Brother Maness will be with us another year. Also pray for us here at Sweetwater that our church will grow and prosper for the glory of God, and pray that I will let the Lord have His way in my life.—Miss Reba Hicks.

BRIEF REPORTS

"A good report maketh the bones fat," Prov. 15:30.

LINDEN, Ala.—We thank the Lord for the way He has blessed us in the Sunday School work on the Thomasville, Ala. district this year. The work is moving nicely. To begin with we had only three schools but we are happy to say now there is a good school at every church on the district. I certainly do not feel that I am due any credit, for this advancement has been made possible by the good co-operation and very efficient help and advice of our state superintendent, Sister Baird, and Sister Edith, who is president of the Y. P. E. for this state, by the help and co-operation of all the pastors, and by the faithful, untiring efforts of the superintendents, especially Brother L. R. Smith of Nicholsville, who won the state banner last quarter.

Come on, Thomasville, let's make the next fellow who gets the banner work for it.—T. L. Andrews, district superintendent.

Divinely Healed

RICH HILL. Mo.—Brother Rouse visited the Church of God in Rich Hill, Mo., June 11 and quite a number received healing. The Lord was present. Several were healed sitting in the crowd. God performed a miracle just before Brother Rouse came here. A young lady took seriously ill with a pain in her side. She had backslidden and persecuted the Church of God. Her mother went to pray for her healing. She saw a vision of me. They agreed to send for me. I rushed to their rescue. When I arrived they asked forgiveness and we prayed. God touched her body, but she wasn't healed then, and He saved her soul. After we left she saw a vision of the coming of Jesus. Then the next day she took seriously ill. They rushed her to the doctor. He examined her and said she had a ruptured appendix. They had a car ready to rush her to the Butler Hospital and phoned and had a room ready. He said she must be there in forty-five minutes.

She refused to go to be operated on. They called me and the saints again. This time God miraculously healed her. Oh, He is real! She is going to church now and testifying for Jesus. She took very sick a few days afterward and something broke and ran about a pint of pus. Praise God for His healing power. This girl is Miss Nora Romesburg, Rich Hill, Mo. Send her a stamped envelope and she will send you her testimony.

Also a man was healed of three or four cancers on his face and nose when I anointed him. He was instantly healed. It was about five years ago and he is still healed. His address is Dave Culver, Rich Hill, Mo. Send a stamped, addressed envelope for his testimony. A woman was instantly healed of blood poison in her foot when it had spread over her entire body. Physicians had given her up. She is healed today, that was about six years ago.

Three deaf and dumb people were healed in answer to my prayers in Kansas City, 14 Campbell St. In my revival meeting a girl about fourteen years of age born deaf and dumb was instantly healed. God blesses me in miracles. If you will write me and send me a stamped, addressed envelope, I'll send an anointed cloth to you and God will heal you if you will clean up and do as He points me to tell you to do. I sent an anointed cloth to Ruby Smith, Eden, Ala. and she was saved and healed of T. B. of three years' standing and the last letter I received from her she was able to be in the kitchen working. I feel led to send out anointed cloths but haven't the stamps.

Dear Evangel readers, pray for our little church at Rich Hill, Mo. There are only eighteen members. The enemy almost made shipwreck but God moved him out. Hallelujah! Little Churches of God, watch for wolves in sheep's clothing. This man is a great deceiver. He has a great influence and has children that are good musicians and singers. Pray for me and the little flock at Rich Hill, Mo.

I could tell you many more miracles God has done here in Rich Hill but space will not permit. A voice spoke to me three times to take off my glasses while Brother Rouse was praying. I obeyed and the Lord showed me to lay hands on one of His singers. I don't know his name but the one that wasn't a preacher and tell him to take off his glasses. He was healed. I failed to obey God. If he sees this in the Evangel I believe God will do it, for my eyes were healed. God bless you and especially Brother Rouse for his great work and also his helpers.

Pray hard for my deliverance. Pray for my unsaved companion and family. Pray for my mother and sister to be sanctified.—Mrs. Ben Ellis, leader, 14 E. Walnut St.

How I praise the Lord this morning for His goodness to us. I was taken very ill at Y. P. E. Sunday night. Through prayer God came on the scene and healed my body, but Monday morning the same enemy attached me again. I suffered until four o'clock in the afternoon when God wonderfully healed me of every pain. We are praying for God to give us a wonderful revival here, that many souls will be saved. Our Y. P. E. is fine, our midweek prayer meeting very interesting, and, praise the Lord, our Sunday School is far beyond our expectations. We received our free literature and got permission to use a Methodist church which they use no more. We organized with forty-three members and several have joined since. We have many visitors. Everyone pray much for this place.

Our dear Brother Halyard Williams has sacrificed much in coming here once a month to preach for us, for only a very few are supporting the work here. Pray much for us. As I have the privilege of attending a few meetings I feel the desire and need this morning of saying something about tithes. Oh, how I like to pay my tithes. Brother Beaube really opened my eyes on tithes when he was an evangelist, the first time I ever heard him preach, and as I see the light I'm trying with God's help to walk therein. Dear souls, paying a dime occasionally isn't tithes. Pay tithes on everything—the garden, eggs, cattle, etc. May God help Mississippi to come to the front, take the muzzle off our preachers, turn them loose with what is really their own. They can't go as long as their income is withheld from them. Let's loose them, let them free and see old Mississippi have some wonderful old-time revivals. We are praying for a revival here, help us pray, and why shouldn't we have one? with such a leader as we have. For several years she, Sister Maude Ellen Hight, has really fought a battle, has had plenty of opposition, but never gave up in defeat. Everyone help us pray that the work may be re-established here. Pray that I may receive the Holy Ghost.—Mrs. Estelle Holloway, Rt. 1, Coffeeville, Miss.

CAVE VALLEY P. O., Jam., B. W. I.—I can report wonderful victory, I am still saved, sanctified and the sweet Holy Ghost is still abiding.

We had a wonderful convention which I enjoyed very much at Aboukes Road. The Lord was with us every day, leading His people in a wonderful way. Pray for me that I might keep in this way of holiness all the days of my life.

I also thank God for our overseer, H. A. Hudson, one who is God-inspired, with wisdom from above, so that he is able to lead the flock of God. I covet the saints' prayers for him. He gave us some instructions at the convention that I believe will be a blessing to all in this Christian warfare who heard them.

I am glad to know I am saved, I can

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REQUESTS

"With thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God," Phil. 4:6.

Please pray a special prayer for me that the Lord will touch my body. I have a goitre and it is giving me trouble, and unless the Lord heals I may have to have an operation. I've been afflicted for the past three years. I have had a nervous breakdown and my nerves are very bad. I am not able to do my housework. Also pray for my mother to be healed; she had to have her left leg taken off four months ago and hasn't been able to walk with her right foot since. She has lost her eyesight in her right eye. Pray for my home and my people who are saved and those who are not saved.—Mrs. Katy Farmer, Rt. 2, Box 301, Mt. Airy, N. C.

Please pray for Mr. Peterson. He has had a stroke of paralysis. He once knew the Lord. Pray that God will heal him and save his soul. Also pray earnestly for my little girl's eyes.—Mrs. Willie Waters, Pelzer, S. C.

Please pray a special prayer for two unspoken requests. The first one is a long one so pray earnestly. The Lord has done so much for me, I know He answers prayer.—E. Larsen, North Lansing, Mich.

Please pray earnestly for my daughter, Virginia Doss, that she may be healed of a complication of diseases, and that she will be able to stand on the Word of Jesus and be a useful servant in His cause. —Fannie Doss, Parrott, Va.

Please pray for me. I am facing a dark trial and it seems sometimes the load is heavier than I can carry. My baby is very sick with colitis. Please pray for God to heal her, if it is His will. Pray for my mother to be healed of gallstone and my sister to be healed of T. B. and that they will see the light and accept this blessed way. Pray earnestly that God will move in a mighty way that my husband who is lost might be saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Remember the little band of saints here, who are few in number. Pray that we may ever stay humble and do God's will and that He will in some way make it possible for us to finish the church building which we have started. Pray for me to receive more power and that I might lead my six little children right.—Daphene Lee, Cropwell, Ala.

Please pray for us over here. We have a very hard time spiritually and financially. Brothers and sisters, please pray for us here that we will pull through.—Elder Ebenezer Musgrove, Kew, Turks Island, B. W. I.

Dear saints, please pray for our people over here in these islands. We go to their homes and they get the blessing but are not able to go out to church, not having means to attend. Many of them drift back in that way. Please pray that the Lord will help us. The hardest time in my life is on us now, there is a famine in the land. We need your prayers.—Elder J. T. Musgrove, Whitby, Turks Island, B. W. I.

Please pray a special prayer for my husband and me. I have never consulted a physician but I really believe I have a cancer on my upper gums. It has never healed since I had my teeth removed three years or more ago, and my husband has T. B., anemia, heart trouble and ulcerated stomach and has been given up by all doctors. I know God can heal all manner of disease, so please pray earnestly for us. If anyone feels led, we would appreciate an anointed cloth.—Mrs. Eva Foster, 829 S. Land St., Harrisburg, Ill.

Please pray for Brother John Baker who is in the Veterans Hospital at Columbia, S. C. in a very serious condition. Please pray for his complete healing. Also pray for my healing and the salvation of my loved ones and husband that God will save them before it is too late.—Mrs. Lee Robertson, Rt. 1, Box 45, Great Falls, S. C.

We are in a revival at Delbarton, W. Va. The Lord is blessing. Please pray that souls will be saved and that God will give us the victory here. I also have an unspoken request for prayer.—J. R. West, 925 Adam St., Louisa, Ky.

Please pray for my brother's little girl, she swallowed a hair pin about three weeks ago. She has been to the hospital several times but they can't get the pin, yet they can see it in X-ray pictures. Pray that God will remove the pin. Also pray that my brother and his wife will be saved. They believe in prayer and call for prayer when they are sick.—Evangelist W. Haskell Compton, Mt. Gay, W. Va.

Please pray for my husband, he is a backslider. Also pray for my son, he is in sin. Pray for me, I have been sick for two years, not able to go to church. Pray that the Lord will have His way and make me able to go. The doctor says I have cancer but God can heal me.—Mrs. Oliver Spinks, Salem, W. Va.

Please pray for my brother, he is in a bad condition. Pray that he will be saved. Also pray for his son and all the family. Pray for my two sisters and their families to be saved. Pray also for another son to receive the Holy Ghost and pray for me that I will ever be in the humble way and hold out faithful to the end.—Mrs. J. R. Anderson, Rt. 2, Hattiesburg, Miss.

Dear saints, please pray for four special requests. Pray for me, I need help.—Mrs. Gertrude Coster, Blacksburg, S. C.

Please pray for my home that God will send deliverance. I have suffered many years. My husband is unsaved. Pray that he will be saved.—Margaret Greene, 620 Segrave St., Daytona Beach, Fla.

Please pray for our daughter, Cazeree, that God will save her soul and heal her of rheumatism and malaria poison. —Mr. and Mrs. Perry Haynes, Rt. 2, Vernon, Ala.

Please pray for an unspoken request. Pray that I will ever do Jesus' will.—Mrs. Eva Hampton, Star Rt. 2, Brodhead, Ky.

Please pray a special prayer for my sister, Mrs. Nellie Pharr, who is very weak in body. Pray that God will undertake and give her strength to work more for Him. She is a minister of the gospel. Also remember our pastor, Brother Shumaker, who is not strong in body. Pray for our work here at Jasper. We mean by the help and grace of God to go over the top for Him.—Miss Omie Colvin, Jasper, Ala.

Dear saints, please pray for me. I have heart trouble. Pray for the Lord to heal my body and save my soul.—Miss Lucille Dean, Rt. 4, Box 106, Marion, Va.

Please pray for the revival at Matthews, Ga. Pray that I may overcome some severe tests at this time, and pray for my eye to be healed and my sight to be restored. I am very nearsighted. Pray that my husband will be saved.—Sister Mary D. Howard, Hephzibah, Ga.

Dear saints, please pray for me, I have high blood pressure and am in the hospital. You who know the worth of prayer please pray. I also have an unspoken request. Help me pray that God will have His way in my life.—Frank Yancey, Legion, Tex.

Please pray a special prayer for me. Sometimes I find it very difficult to get along with no help. Pray that the way will be opened somehow. How I long to see a church building here, so pray that we will get one soon. I received letters from some and did not have all their address. Please write me and send me your full address.—Sarah E. Tucker, Ever Grand Turk Is., B. W. I.

Dear Christian friends, I am a child of God. I am here in prison serving time. I am not well in body and want the Church of God to pray for me. I would also be glad to get the Church of God Evangel; I am too poor to subscribe for it but would like to get it each week. I have heard Brother Paulk over the radio from Greenville, S. C. and surely enjoy it. I am a father, age sixty-six years. My

family lives at Lincolnton, N. C. They also need God. Pray that I may soon be out of prison. I expect to spend the remainder of my days for God and when life is over here live with Him on high. God bless you and all of the Church of God people.—John Lutz, Caledonia Prison Farm, Halifax, N. C.

Please help me pray that God will establish in the faith of the Lord two people. I am so heavily burdened for them. If it is His will pray that He will lift the burden off me. I've been crushed, it seems, almost to the limit of my endurance but I know the Lord is able. Pray that my faith will fail me not.—Sister L. M. Smith, 1906 Carswell Ave., Waycross, Ga.

Dear saints, the Lord healed my right tonsil when it was very sore and now my left tonsil is sore. Pray earnestly that the Lord will undertake and heal me.—Beatrice Thompson, Covington, La.

Please pray that the Lord will save my husband, daughter and little boy who are in sin. Also remember me in your prayers, my eyesight and hearing are bad. I have other requests which God knows about. Please pray earnestly for the souls in sin.—Lillie Duncan, Roanoke, Va.

Dear saints, please pray for my sister who is in very bad health, that the Lord will heal her. Pray for her husband to be saved. I also have a special request which I want you to help me pray for. Pray till your prayers go through.—Mrs. Ola Sisk, Gilkey, N. C.

Dear saints, I feel good in my soul but am afflicted in body. Please pray a special prayer for me. I also have many unsaved loved ones, please pray for them to be saved. If anyone feels led to send me an anointed cloth, I will appreciate it very much.—Miss Blanche Whittington, Rt. 1, Dillon, S. C.

Please pray for the healing of my body and for the Lord to give me the Holy Ghost again. Pray for me that I will do what the Lord wants me to. Please pray a special prayer for me.—Arthor Webster, R. F. D. 2, Cleveland, Miss.

Please pray much for the revival which will begin soon at the Grassy Church of God, Grassy, W. Va. Pray that many souls will be saved, sanctified, and baptized with the Holy Ghost. —Miss Martha Preece, Louisa, Ky.

Please pray much for my family and me. I also have an unspoken request.—Hettie Green (colored), Cleveland, Ohio, 5807 Kinsman Ave.

Dear readers, I have three unspoken requests for prayer. Please pray earnestly for me and these requests. I am sure God understands.—Mrs. H. G. Stringfield, 616 Orlando St., Knoxville, Tenn.

Dear saints, I praise the Lord for saving a wreck like me, sanctifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost. I have a brother, Willis Gill, who is sick with T. B. He is not saved but says he wants the Holy Ghost. Please pray for him to be saved and healed. Pray for his three children to be saved. If anyone will send him an anointed cloth, how glad I will be, for I know the Lord can heal him. He told me he was going to trust the Lord. I also have some unspoken requests. Please pray for the Lord to help me.—Amelia Lambert, Roseland, La.

Dear saints, please ask God to heal my body. I am unable to get out of bed. God called me to preach the gospel and I didn't obey Him but by His help if He heals my body, I'll preach His Word. If anyone feels led to send me an anointed cloth, please do so.—Fannie Nowell, Box 245, Weldon, N. C.

Please pray that I will receive the Holy Ghost. If anyone would like to write me, please do so.—Miss Mary E. Huggins, Hope Mills, N. C.

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feel the joy in my soul. Thank God I have a hope within my soul brighter than the perfect day. I can still sing, shout and praise the Lord for keeping me victorious during these times. Please pray for my companion, she is saved but does not have the Holy Ghost. God bless all the saints.—Lester G. Moore, Cedar Valley, Cave Valley P. O., Jam., B. W. I.

OAK GROVE, La.—I praise the Lord for His goodness to us. The Lord surely did bless our Children's Day the second Sunday in June. Our state overseer, Brother Clyde C. Cox, was with us. He brought a good message. A mission offering of $6.11 was taken on the one dollar a member assessment. The band and some good singers from the Terry church were with us and we enjoyed their music and singing. At noon we had lunch.

In the afternoon Brother Cox preached the dedicatory sermon as we have our new church built where we can have service. The Lord surely blessed our souls. After this two were baptized in water, one being my little eight-year-old girl. She has had the Holy Ghost about a year and He is still sweet to her. I just thank the Lord for her.

On Sunday night we had our program by the young people, which was fine. Pray for us here at this little weak place that it will rise and shine. If Brother S. S. Monroe reads this, please write to us, also any of our friends in Mississippi. We have not moved our membership yet but expect to soon. Pray for me and my husband and little girl to stand true, also pray for my three unsaved children to be saved.—Omie Callum, Rt. 3.

LOGAN, W. Va.—We just closed a five weeks' revival here Sunday night, June 5, with real victory. According to the old faithful church members, it was the greatest revival in the history of the church here in Logan. The crowds were so large, many were turned away that could not get inside, although we have the largest church in West Virginia and had extra chairs and all standing room was taken up.

According to the records kept, fifty were saved, forty-five sanctified and forty baptized with the Holy Ghost. There were forty-four added to the church, making a total of seventy new members this church year, bringing the total membership up to 245.

Sister Christine Hyre of Akron, Ohio, the fifteen-year-old evangelist, did the preaching and everybody here surely fell in love with her and her preaching and surely hope she will come this way again.

I believe we have the very best working church in the country. Although we have only been here eight months I can truly say the church has stood with us and worked with us. It has been a pleasant year for us. We also had two of the very best quartets in the neighborhood come and sing during the meeting, the Henlawson Quartet and the Adams quartet. The Banister Brothers from Delbarton were there three nights and surely did fire the revival up with their songs and music. All these singers certainly helped out a lot. We praise the Lord for all these good things. May the Lord bless all of you.

We also had the first Sunday School and Y. P. E. district convention June 5, held here in Logan church with a very large attendance. Service began at 9:00 a. m. and closed at 5:30 p. m. Each local Sunday School and Y. P. E. on the district was here except two, and rendered very nice programs for thirty minutes. T. F. Blackwell, state superintendent, was here and gave a wonderful message on "Sunday School and Y. P. E. Interests." Mr. Robert Vickers of Chatmansville gave a very interesting lecture on "Sunday School." This convention was under the direction of T. F. Blackwell, state superintendent, and J. H. Winters, district superintendent. —Faithfully, R. A. Fielden, pastor, Box 1164.

TESTIMONIES

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DADE CITY, Fla.—Dear Evangel readers, I praise the Lord for His goodness and blessings for the past fifteen years. Truly I can never praise Him enough for what He has done for us. How thankful we are for the dear old Church of God and for full and free salvation.

Wimauma camp meeting was grand and glorious. I praise the Lord for the blessing I received June 5. I also praise Him for sending Brother and Sister J. E. Revels to take me back on June 11, 12. Before leaving there I was anointed and prayed for my Brother J. H. Walker, General Overseer, and our state overseer, Brother E. M. Ellis. The Lord blessed and touched my body. I came home with a new touch of fire, healing for my body, glory in my soul, and praising God. Oh, how the Lord did talk to me and I feel the sweet peace as I write this.

I also praise God for the sermon we heard Brother Revels preach Wednesday night at Lacoochee and for the way He blessed us all. May God go with Brother and Sister Revels to their field of labor and help them win souls for Jesus. May the presence of the Lord go with everyone from camp meeting and give every one of us a new zeal to do things for God. God bless the General Overseer, state overseers, all ministers, evangelists, and the missionaries in a greater measure than ever before.

Again I praise the Lord for His saving, healing and keeping power and the way He talks to my heart. Yes, praise His holy name, He is a prayer-answering God. Remember me and my loved ones when you pray.—Mrs. J. C. Sellers, Rt. 1.

Healed and Saved by the Blood of Jesus

SAMPSON, Ky.—Dear Evangel readers, I am glad for the blood of Jesus. I thank God that I can trust Him for both soul and body. I have been healed many times. One time Brother Waldron Asher of Essie, Ky. prayed for me when I had gotten in a wreck in the mines and got my neck sprained and my shoulder knocked down. I could hardly walk and could hardly get my breath for such pains. He prayed for me and took the bandage off my shoulder in the name of Jesus and I was healed.

One time when three preachers of a certain denomination came to hold a revival I went to hear them and to get prayed for. I had fallen on a stick and in less than five minutes both eyes were swollen nearly together. When I called for prayer for my eyes the three preachers and the rest that did not believe in divine healing left the house and the Church of God folks prayed for me. My eye began to come open and we had a wonderful meeting that night. There were only about twenty-five left and God blessed wonderfully.

Please pray for me that I will stay close to God. I was bound up in worldly habits. I was delivered from the tobacco habit. When God condemned me I tried to use it anyway, but one night about six o'clock I was sitting by the fireside and I started to smoke when I was stricken so badly in a half moment's time I thought I would die, and the quickest way I could get them out and throw them in the fire I did and all the pains left me. I thank God today for it. My friend, it is not of God, it is bound to belong to the devil. If any are using it they had better stop now while they have time. It is very filthy.—Harrison Smith.

JESUP, Ga.—Dear Evangel family, we take the Church of God Evangel and can hardly wait until it arrives. It is always a welcome visitor in our home. It has so much soul food which we all need. I am not a member of the Church of God, although some of my relatives are, and I, too, believe in the old-time religion. This family has its trials but our merciful Lord has blessed all the family, and even in our trials I can now see the mighty hand of God being merciful to us and blessing us.

I am weak and have my faults but I want to shine for Christ and be a Christian, so remember me when you pray. I have two Christian brothers who are compelled to be away from home to work. Pray for them to stand true and faithful, and pray for their families.—Pearl Brown, R. F. D. 1.

I praise God from whom all blessings flow. I thank my Lord, that I have been permitted to live more than fifty years, and have been blessed with a reasonable amount of health and strength, that I have been permitted to earn my daily bread, by the sweat of my face, and that I have, by good health, been permitted to attend many good services at the Church of God at Half Acre, and enjoy hearing the Word of God preached, and have the pleasure of mixing and mingling with friends, shouting and singing praises unto God, testifying to many wonderful blessings that their Lord has sent their way. Oh, how wonderful it is to know that we have a heavenly Father that is so merciful to us, and has given the plan of salvation for all who will accept it. I will appreciate a prayer for me, by any one that is interested in my soul.—E. L. Breckenridge, Route 1, Myrtlewood, Ala.

PARIS, Tex.—I praise and thank my Savior for His healing power, His love and mercy. My husband has been sick all winter and most of the spring. He had to give up pastoring the North Woodville church in April, his health was so poor. We didn't know what was wrong but we just trusted Jesus for his healing, knowing there is no disease but what He can heal. The Word says nothing is impossible with God. Praise His name! One day he had a very sick spell. We thought for a while God was surely calling him home, but we kept praying and claiming God's promises, and God healed him. Praise His name! We are giving God the glory.—Mrs. Essie Cross, R. R. 2.

CONVENTIONS

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dear overseer, H. A. Hudson. He is surely giving us the real spiritual food in these last days. The welcome was given by the district pastor and responses by other helpers. The glory of the Lord could be felt from the very moment the songs started. Sister M. Lewis of the Grantham choir rendered a solo, followed by an introductory sermon by the overseer. This was wonderful and soul-stirring. Response was given by Bishop C. T. Johnson. The altar call was given by C. A. Morris and Evangelist Higgins.

Wednesday devotional was conducted by C. A. Morris, followed by call of the district churches. Twelve churches gave reports which were real good and the pastors still desiring to be a greater blessing. After a report of churches the overseer gave general instructions. This was wonderful because he was led by the Holy Ghost. After general instructions a short memorial service was given in behalf of our beloved Bishop A. J. Davidson. Next was a sermon by Evangelist A. N. Mitchell, then a business session followed and the reports of the Sunday Schools were given by superintendents. These reports were splendid. The Y. P. E. rendered a wonderful program. An altar call was given and many came to the altar in tears.

On Thursday, after devotional by A. G. Powell, there were five-minute talks by all preachers whose names were not on the program. Nearing the closing of the convention God began to bless even more than before. Inspiring sermons were given by W. A. Shaw, C. T. Johnson, T. Mundle, N. Hicker. Their messages bound us together and we felt heaven coming low. Glory to His name! This was one of the best district conventions. It opened up the way for a wonderful revival which is still on.

Dear saints throughout the various centers, please pray for our dear state overseer, H. A. Hudson, because he is certainly working in Jamaica. — C. A. Morris, district pastor, Grantham, Jam., B. W. I.

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when war clouds are hanging low and the rumbling of another world conflict is in our ears. A terrific storm seems to be gathering that may shatter the very framework of civilization. Never was there such world-wide distress of nations. The increase of crime, suicides, murders, and other violent deeds is beyond anything the world has ever known. Officers of law are battling with the most terrible crimes in history. Perilous times are here. Paul said men would be incontinent, fierce. We never knew an age when men were so fierce as they are today. Wicked men and seducers wax worse and worse. This is an age of disobedience to parents, or Sabbath breaking, homes being broken up by divorce, and many other things that God said the last days would be marked with. This old world is staggering under its load of sin and sorrow. May God help us to go down on our knees and pray till God undertakes.

Friends, just think of the many sad and hungry hearts. We hear from them from the many different places calling for prayer, their hearts burdened, their bodies afflicted, every earthly hope failed. They are calling for God's people to help and encourage them. Will we help them, or will we fail God at this time? We can hold on to God for those who need our help; we can ask Him to give them power to say no to sin and power to be ready when Jesus comes. We know neither the day nor the hour, but if we are prepared when He comes we will rise to meet Him in the air. Dear souls, let us be faithful for the shadows of fear darken our land, the threatening of this awful war casts its shadows across the lives of millions of our people. Only prayer can hold back the powers of darkness and keep them from sweeping the earth. It seems that the whole world is on its way to destruction, and we needn't think that our so-called Christianized America can escape. We see the spirit of Antichrist already working at an alarming rate, and many lining up with its forces. But few people realize the depth of sin into which millions of men and women have plunged. Surely we are standing on the very verge of the great day of the Lord. We are living in days of uncertainty. It seems that there is nothing secure. Men's hearts are failing them for fear. Surely the closing hour has just about arrived.

What this old world needs above everything else is a knowledge of God's saving grace through Jesus Christ our Lord. "God, give us more of the fire of Pentecost," should be the cry of every child of God. We must get the burning message of salvation to this lost and dying world. If there ever was a time that God's people should be burdened for lost souls, it is now. We are indeed living in critical days and at the same time we are living in golden days for gospel work. Every preacher of the gospel, whether bishop, evangelist, exhorter, or personal worker, should be encouraged and pressed into service. Every dollar, yes, every penny that can be turned into a channel to promote and spread the gospel should be put into active service. There should be no unemployment among the ministry, because thousands and millions of earth's inhabitants are being captured by sin. Every spirit of disobedience that can be imagined is working among the people. May God help us to realize that there is only one thing left for God's people to do and that is pray! pray! pray! and unite all of our efforts for the salvation of this lost world.

I wish I could stand on some high mountain and cry and plead till every man and woman who is being deceived with these last-day evils would become alarmed and flee to God for protection. May God help us to go out after souls and compel them to come in before it is too late. I feel that if we as God's people and workers together with Him will render full obedience to the demands of the New Testament and make such sacrifices as duty demands, our messages will be so charged with God's power that there will be a great spiritual awakening among God's people insomuch that our prayers will reach heaven and the glory of God will burst out in strong hallelujahs, and loud amens will not be absent in our services. We sometimes wonder if the word "amen" has been forgotten, and then we wonder if we are preaching the last days' message as forcibly as we should. We must realize that it is very essential that the present-day evils be exposed so people will know that the end is near. In fact, we cannot preach the full doctrine of the second coming of Jesus without unfolding, uncovering, and exposing the sins of the age. It is an unquestionable fact that the evils prevalent in our day are signs that Jesus is coming soon. The enemy tries to conceal the evils of the day and make people believe the world is getting better, but the Bible plainly teaches that in the days when Jesus shall come again, conditions will be as they were in the days of Noah. We find in Noah's day the people were in such darkness that they did not know the condition they were in till the flood came and destroyed them. Matt. 24:38, 39. Do we not see that our day is equal in corruption and darkness? Surely every child of God can see the night approaching and feel the mighty influence of darkness as it is settling down over this old world. The only thing left for us to do is to pursue our course with joy and gather in from the harvest field the sheaves that are scattered here and there. We have only to look up to see the fields that are white to harvest. God, give us a great spiritual awakening and help us to realize the coming of the Lord is near.

RADIO BROADCASTS

WFBC from 6:45 to 8:15 (E.S.T.), each Sunday morning. 1300 kilocycles. Earl Paulk, pastor.

Broadcast over WMFD has been changed from 3:30-4:00 p. m. to 2:30-3:00 p. m. each Sunday, E.S.T., 1370 kilocycles.—H. T. Durden, pastor.

Over WEBJ, Harrisburg, Ill., each Monday 3:00-3:45 p. m., 1210 kilocycles.—J. R. Thomas, state overseer.

Over KLCN, Blytheville, Ark., each Sunday, 4:15-4:45 p. m., C.S.T., 1290 kilocycles. Brother and Sister C. E. French in charge.

Hear The Church of God Gospel Hour, Frank Johnson, pastor of Powderly, Ala. church, in charge, over WSGN, each Sunday morning from 7:30 to 8:30.

Each week day from 5:30-6:00 a. m. over station WAPI. Birmingham, Ala., 1140 kilocycles, 5000 w. This program is sponsored by the listeners. Church of God, Pratt City, Ala. M. D. Harwood, pastor.

Charlotte, N. C. over WSOC, direct from the church, Sunday 4:30 p. m.; from the studio, Thursday, 3:45 p. m. E. L. Simmons, pastor.

FERGUS FALLS, MINNESOTA, RADIO SERVICE

Sunday, 4:30 to 5:30 a. m.; Tuesday, 11:00 to 11:30 a. m.; Thursday, 11:00 to 11:30 a. m. Over station KGDE—H. E. Ramsey.

WFOR, Hattiesburg, Miss., each Sunday afternoon from 4:45-5:15. The Church of God, D. W. Mills, pastor.

WRGA—A. H. Batts, pastor, Rome, Ga., 1500 kilocycles, March 7, 8:00-8:30 and March 14 at 4:30-5:00 p. m., etc.

WOPI, Bristol, Tenn. Each Wednesday from 7:45 to 9:00 o'clock. 1500 kilocycles.—R. C. Cook, pastor.

Church of God, Williamsburg, Pa., over WFBG, Altoona, Pa., each Saturday afternoon from 2:00 until 2:30 p. m.—C. H. Shaw in charge.

WCBD, 1080 KC, Chicago, Ill. Every Sunday morning from 1:00 a. m. to 2:00 a. m. Amelia Shumaker in charge.

KFYO, Lubbock, Tex. Each Sunday morning, 7:30-8:00 a. m. Roy J. Young, district pastor.

WPTF, Raleigh, N. C., Sunday, June 5, 8:00 a. m. A. J. Butler, pastor.

WCSC, Charleston, S. C. Each Sunday morning, 8:30-9:00 a. m., E.S.T., 1360 KC. P. M. White, pastor.

WJDX, Jackson, Miss. 1300 KC., 5000 watts. Blackwood Brothers Quartet, each morning at 8:30 a. m.

State Conventions

June 30-July 10 — North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming, Minnesota, Montana and Saskatchewan, Canada—Minot, N. Dak.

July 7-10—New Mexico.

July 7-10—Maryland.

July 14-17 (inclusive) — Western Canada.

July 14-17—Oklahoma.

July 14-17—Georgia.

July 21-24—Kansas.

July 21-24—Alabama.

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August 11-14—Maine.

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leaven." "Purge out, therefore, the old leaven," 1 Cor. 5:7. So that "inbred sin" is our individual patrimony in the estate of our first parents, and though we personally are only a few years old, yet the moral property we inherit is six thousand years old.

2. *As to the quantity of inbred sin.* The Scriptures throughout teach us that the quantity and kind of inbred sin is about the same in every one born of Adam. In the amount of sin displayed and committed, no two persons may be the same, but as to inherited sin, the Bible proclaims a uniform kind of evil in every child of man. "And God saw the wickedness of man, that, every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually," Gen. 6:5. Mark, it does not say "of men," but of "man," looking at the race as a unit, they each and all, "share and share alike," in the oneness of depravity. The Hebrew word for "imagination" here not only signifies the activity of the imagination, but the latent, inherent proneness of heart which is originally the same, other things being equal, in every child, whether Abel or Cain, John or Nero. In this same chapter it says that "Noah was a perfect man." He had as much inbred sin as the rest, to start with, but he yielded to grace, and turned his inbred evil over to the power of God.

"Behold the Lamb of God, that taketh away the sin of the world," John 1:29. It does not say sins of the world, but emphatically "*the sin* of the world." It may be that no two persons have ever committed the same number and kinds of sins. The actual sins of the world are utterly innumerable and diverse in degree and hue, but the hereditary old man the inbred sin of the world, is the same in all generations. So that Jesus has not only a provision for blotting out the acts of the world, but, glory to His name, has a provision to root out every sprout of indwelling sin from mankind.

Many think that when we are wholly sanctified that we will have no sense of honor and no feeling so far as unkind thrusts are concerned, but this is a sad mistake. When people are sanctified their sense of honor is increased and their hearts are grieved when insulted or their rights and privileges trampled on, but they do not get mad. I am sure that sanctified people have a regard for the feelings of others and will not do things to contrary or provoke others, but by meekness and long suffering will forbear and try to help those who are in error.

REPORTS

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—We are glad to report that God gave us a wonderful day for our all-day service which convened the first Sunday in May. In our devotional service we could feel the presence of the Lord. All during the Sunday School we enjoyed this good feeling. After Sunday School our good pastor delivered an inspiring discourse, which was uplifting and enjoyed by all present. Then the people spread lunch on the church lawn and enjoyed another good feast.

At the evening service we were honored by having several visiting ministers speak for us. Their messages were uplifting and inspiring to all. I am sure this service will linger in our memory for a long time, because we were made to sit together in heavenly places and to feast on the good Word of God.

The church raised the balance of the church note, which was about $50.00. We praise God for helping us raise this. We certainly cannot do anything without the Lord.—B. S. Prescott, clerk, 3232 Givens Ave.

Our home coming day at Blossom, Tex. was wonderful. The Lord blessed throughout the day. Our district pastor, Brother Brous, of Paris, was in charge. We had a wonderful testimony service. At eleven o'clock Brother Brous brought a wonderful message which was enjoyed by all. At noon dinner was spread and all were soon ready for service again. After several talks from visitors, who spoke to the point, Brother McClanahan of Hugo, Okla. brought a wonderful message which was enjoyed. Then we had special singing by several and good talks from some good preachers.

The day seemed too short. Now comes the last of the program. Dear old grandmother Evans, aged ninety-four, was right up on the rostrum. Goodbyes and handshakes were given her and a lot of tears were shed while this was going on. Pray for us at Blossom.—J. F. Brown, pastor, Gen. Del.

SOMERSET, Ky.—Dear saints, I am still glad I can report victory in my soul. The Lord has been so good to me, He has blessed us with health, food and raiment. I am glad His promise is ever true.

Our oldest boy is saved and belongs to the great Church of God and I am so happy in my soul, for we prayed so earnestly for Him. I wish I could tell all my friends about the love of God and His goodness.

We have been here about two years and have a fine band of good saints to work with. We have a good Y. P. E., Sunday School and W. W. B. The Lord surely is blessing and keeping us. Brother Scalf still lives that good prayer life. Sometimes he stays before the Lord all night and day fasting and praying and the Lord doesn't turn us down if we do what He tells us to. Please pray for us. —Your sister, Mrs. Solomon Scalf.

BLUEFIELD, Va. — I thank and praise God for our Sunday School that started three months ago and for the souls that have been saved in that time. God's Word must go.

We have a good Sunday School and good prayer meeting and other services. God really does bless those who love Him.

I thank the Lord for our Editor and Publisher of the Church of God literature, Brother S. W. Latimer. May God richly bless all from Brother J. H. Walker, General Overseer, to the youngest in Christ. Pray that we will continue to grow.—Walter Roaten.

MOUNT AIRY, N. C.—I praise the Lord for the way He is blessing here this year. We have a new church building valued between $1500 and $1800, and we don't owe one cent on it. Praise the Lord. I don't know how long that feast lasted when the prodigal son returned, but we are still shouting and dancing in Mt. Airy. We praise God for our good pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister Paul L. Thurman. They surely have done a great work here. Pray for us.—Coy Farmer, clerk, R. F. D. 2.

SYLACAUGA, Ala.—We are glad to praise God. We have a wonderful Sunday School and Y. P. E. here. Sister Baird, our state Sunday School superintendent, was with us Saturday night through Sunday night and surely every one enjoyed having her. Jesus met with us. We won the state Sunday School banner for May and we hope to keep it. We feel more like working for Jesus than ever before.

We love our pastor, Brother Wood, and his family. We believe we have as good a pastor as there is. Don't forget to pray for Sylacauga, we need your prayers. Pray that God will give us a great revival and that we will always be in the center of His will.

We welcome Sister Baird any time that it is possible for her to be with us. We have many requests, so please pray for these.—Maggolene Isbell, 20 Mayorland St.

Faith is believing a thing to be true, with courage to stand for what is believed. This is why the martyrs would not recant. Their faith was anchored in Jesus Christ and His written Word and they were willing or preferred to give up their lives rather than give up their faith and become a traitor to the greatest fundamental principle of Christianity.